

NEWS FROM THE WHOLE UNITED STATES.

Reported by the Hon. Eli Perkins, Philosopher and Lecturer.

[New York Sun.]

On the Erie train last night was Eli Perkins, just arrived from an extensive trip down through the Southern States. "Yes," he said to a reporter, "I am just from Texas and Missouri via Charleston, Savannah, Atlanta, Birmingham, Vicksburg, San Antonio, Galveston, the Staked Plains of Texas, Arkansas, Kansas, and I can give you the last news from the entire United States. What do you want to know?"

"Well, how are the crops?"

"The immense cotton crop is swamping the entire South. They raised 9,000,000 bales, and a million more than the world wants. The price has fallen from 10 cents to 5 1/2 in Texas, and the surplus is piled up around the stations with no one to buy it."

"Who is hurt by the low price?"

"The cotton merchant. Many farmers sold at eight cents, but ruin stares the Southern merchant in the face. The entire South is depressed, and they cry out to the North for sympathy. I saw 80,000 bales piled up in Fort Smith. The Red and Brazos rivers are lined with it. The farmer's corn bin is empty, and the merchants who have not failed are not able to carry him through another crop. Meetings are being held all over the South recommending the restriction of the crop this year."

"How do they expect to restrict it?"

"By putting in more sugar, rice, and corn. The price dropped too late for a wheat crop. They are in trouble in the sugar country in Texas and Louisiana, because just as they want to plant more sugar Mr. Breckenridge, of Kentucky, jumps up in Washington and offers a resolution to take the two-cent bonus off of sugar. This would destroy the sugar industry and throw a million more bales of cotton upon the market. Then South Carolina, which used to make 1,000,000 barrels of rice, and Louisiana, which made 900,000 barrels of rice, want a tariff against cheap Chinese rice, which has about broken up American rice planting."

"What argument do they use in speaking of a tariff on Chinese rice and Egyptian cotton?"

"They say: 'You yankees put a tariff on tobacco and wheat to help your farmer, and why can't we have a tariff on Chinese rice?'"

"How is the winter wheat crop?"

"I bring good news about wheat," said Mr. Perkins. "It is simply superb everywhere. I have not seen such a stand of wheat in sixteen years. The last government report was made when there was some doubt about wheat. But there have been recent warm rains from North Carolina to the Staked Plains in Texas, and every kernel sowed has come up. It could not be better in Kentucky and Tennessee, and the farmers in Texas, Arkansas, Missouri, Kansas, Illinois, Indiana, and Ohio have told me within four days that they never had such a prospect. The wheat is short. It hugs the ground, but it is even, and looks just as they want it to look for a splendid crop. Along the Atchison and Missouri Pacific roads, clear into Colorado, the ground is soaked with a long, warm rain."

"Did you see any political changes?"

"Yes, the Farmers' Alliance is petering out like the old Greenback party. They have all come out for free silver, and Mr. Weaver, the old Greenback candidate, is their man for the Presidency. The Farmers' Alliance in Texas legislated against aliens holding property in the State, and millions of dollars were given out of Texas. The Texas blame Gov. Hogg, the Alliance Governor, for all the depression in Texas. Clarke, who is now running against Hogg, will be triumphantly elected Governor. He says: 'Hogg drove out the Scotch and English aliens, and they now let their money to the Yankees at four per cent, and the Yankee comes down and lets it to the Texan at ten per cent.' The Alliance fellows in Kansas have so ruined the State by talking repudiation and free silver that almost all mortgages in Kansas are now written 'payable in gold.'"

"What about the old Southern Democrat?"

"The old east-iron Democrat has given up Cleveland, The 'Stuffed Prophet' never enticed them, and now that he has spoken against free silver the Democrats have dropped him. They have also begun to talk about Gorman. They say Gorman can carry the solid South and all the silver States because he traded his silver influence with Wolcott for votes against the election bill."

"Did you see anything funny in the South?"

"I found the Texan is given to making fun of the Arkansas. The Rev. Dr. Pritchett, president of the Normal College at Huntsville, told me that he asked a passenger on the Texas Pacific where he came from."

"What'd I kum from?" repeated the man. "Why, you're the twentieth man that's asked that to-day. I kum from Arkansas. Now, dog on you, laugh!"

"At Texarkana, where they burned the negro at the stake," continued Eli, "I saw a little Texas boy in the depot. Pating him on the head, I asked inquiringly: 'Are you a good little boy?'"

"You bet I am," he said proudly. "I'm the best boy in Texas; you ask my father and mother."

"Do you say your prayers every day?" I continued.

"No, not every day," he said thoughtfully. "I didn't say 'em yesterday, and I haven't said 'em to-day—and if I get along pretty well I shan't say 'em every more!'"

"Why not?"

"'O, cuss' paw and maw's goin' to live up in Arkansas."

REBELLION IN PERU.

Ex-President Pierola Has Imported Arms and Is Raising an Army.

PAKAKA, April 3.—VIA GALVESTON.—It is reported from Iquique that ex-President Pierola, of Peru, has imported a large quantity of arms into that city and is trying to raise an army to overthrow the present Peruvian Government. The basis of his hostility toward the present Government is the supposition of the Peruvian Government in making no effort to recover the provinces lost to Chili. It is believed that he is backed in the agitation by M. Dreyfus. Troops have been sent out from Tacna to engage the rebellion, and an engagement is likely to take place at any time.

HE SIGNED HIS CONFESSION.

Walter R. Shaw, Who Murdered His Mother and Aunt.

HOUSTON, TEX., April 3.—In the court room here yesterday Walker R. Shaw, who confessed on Friday to the murder with a razor of his mother, Mrs. Anna Shaw, and his aunt, Mrs. Belle Johnson, for \$40, that he might continue his spree, again confessed.

He waived a preliminary examination, acknowledged his guilt, signed his confession and urged that his execution be brought about at the earliest possible date, as he knows he ought to die, having committed the crime deliberately and in his sober moments.

AN IMPORTANT GAIN.

The Defeat of Free Silver Legislation Does Much to Restore Confidence.

NEW YORK, April 2.—The action of Congress on the question of free coinage of silver is an important gain in the direction of confidence. The silver faction in Congress had summoned its whole forces to the last man, and its defeat puts a quietus on the agitation, not only for the present session, but in all probability for a permanent. It is likely to be followed by a falling off in the adherence of the class of politicians who have mistakenly regarded it as a winning political issue, and who will have no use for it, now that neither political party can be expected to commit themselves to it in the coming Federal elections.

The silver vote has other advantages, the value of which it would be difficult to overestimate. It means beyond all question that there is a point beyond which the people of the United States are resolved not to go in committing the country to the silver basis. It means that there is no longer any real danger of our being landed upon an exclusive silver basis—which was the logical and inevitable issue of the Bland bill. And the significance of these aspects of the vote amounts to a very important gain toward the ultimate consummation of an international agreement for the maintenance of the double standard. Now that it is made plain to the world that the United States is not to be caught in any such folly, an important factor of uncertainty in the European branch of the question is removed, and the chances for an early international conference are so far improved.

This new stage in the silver agitation is not without its importance to the stock market. In my previous weekly advice I have shown that there is good reason to suppose that from \$125,000,000 to \$150,000,000 of our securities have been returned from Europe since the Government purchases of silver bullion were increased to 50,000,000 ounces per year; the inference being that foreigners regarded that drift of our legislation as calculated to result in our investments becoming largely payable in silver of uncertain value.

With these two drawbacks—the Silver bill and the Behring Sea question—temporarily out of the way at least, the market is left more free to respond to natural influences. The low prices of wheat, iron and silver discourage important interests, and offset the advantages of abundance to many producers; but it should not be overlooked that many other interests are likely to be stimulated by cheap iron, and the great body of consumers benefit by cheap wheat and cotton. In truth, the masses are prosperous, being well paid and having cheap living. This being so, business must be accepted as sound in spite of the complaints of small profits. It is quite certain that no legitimate cause for a serious decline in railroad stocks can be found, particularly while earnings continue so satisfactory. There is sound reason for confidence in the values of many railroad shares, and either manipulation or outside buying will sooner or later assert itself. The difficulty now is in digesting the heavy amounts of securities returned from Europe. If this movement continues we may be called upon to again export gold, as the tendency of the merchandise movement is now toward increased imports and diminished exports. The foreign demand for Americans will therefore be closely followed for some weeks to come. At the moment, the market is in a dull, but sensitive, condition. The chances appear to favor improvement after the April settlements are fully completed.

HENRY CLEWS.

VICTIM OF TALK.

Girl Led to Believe Matrimony Was a Dreadful Condition.

MEMPHIS, TENN., April 1.—"You will find my body in the house near the Second street bridge."

These were the words found scratched on a sheet of paper in the room of Miss Carrie Moore, a beautiful young woman, when, she not responding to repeated calls, the door of her room was forced this morning. A search was instituted and the body was found lying in three feet of water at the place named. The girl came here from Bell's Depot, Tenn. She has been working in a millinery store and has borne a spotless reputation. She was keeping company with Ed Gribbling, an industrious assistant. A Mrs. McGann, a woman with a foolish tongue, drew a horrible picture of the miseries of married life, which seemed to prey on the girl's mind and she became despondent and refers to the conversation in a letter of seventeen pages which she left behind.

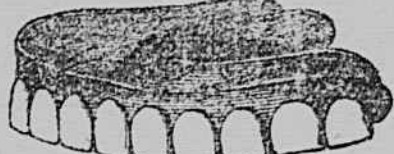
THE LETTER.

is addressed to Mrs. Malone and family, at whose house she boarded, and is very pathetic. A story of undesired harsh treatment at home of her father ordering her from home, of her brother refusing to visit her or care for her when she was out of work. Her effects she leaves to her lover and the friends who have been good to her. She reiterates that Mrs. McGann's talk was at the bottom of her wickedness, and regrets that she did not marry before she heard such words. She writes:

"I can breathe and feel and see, but the real life has gone from me and I must die."

She belonged to the Knights and Ladies of Honor, which order will bury the body. The funeral will be conducted by the firm where her lover was employed.

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VIRGINIA—In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Wise on the 26th day of February, 1892, in vacation:

Maggie E. Harris, who sues by her next friend, Alfred Leedy, Plaintiff, against L. D. Harris, Defendant, in chancery.

The object of this suit is to obtain a decree for a divorce, a vinculo matrimonii existing between plaintiff and defendant. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, L. D. Harris is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear here within fifteen days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in the Big Stone Post, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this county on the first day of the next term of the county court of said county.

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E. H. Ould, Plaintiff, vs. J. C. Trent, et al., Defendants.

The object of this suit is to recover personal property and to enforce the same by foreclosure of the vendor's lien reserved in deed from E. H. Ould, trustee, to said J. C. Trent and W. M. Gonce, conveying lot 2 block 5 of a portion of the town of Norton, Virginia. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendants, J. C. Trent and W. M. Gonce, are not residents of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that they do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect their interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in the Big Stone Post, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this county on the first day of the next term of the county court of said county.

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J. C. Gent, Plaintiff, vs. F. A. Stratton, et al., Defendants, in Chancery.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendants the sum of \$443.73 with interest from the 28 day of December 1891, to and to attach and subject to sale, the interest of said F. A. Stratton in various tracts of land in Wise County, Virginia, in plaintiff's bill described. And an affidavit having been made and filed that defendant, F. A. Stratton, is not a resident of the State of Virginia, it is ordered that he do appear here within fifteen days after due publication hereof, and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in the Big Stone Post, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this county on the first day of the next term of the county court of said county.

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2:20	8:10	Wiseley's.	6:00	11:50
2:25	8:15	Duffield.	6:05	11:55
2:30	8:20	Horton's Summit.	6:10	12:00
2:35	8:25	Natural Tunnel.	6:15	12:05
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2:45	8:35	State's Switch.	6:25	12:15
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To the Sheriff of Wise County, Greeting: We command you as we have before to summon J. H. Snodgrass and J. H. Hubbard, his security, to appear before the judge of our Circuit court of Wise county, at the Court-house thereof on the first day of the April Term, 1892, of said Court to show cause if any they have or can why the land sold under a decree entered in the chancery case of C. R. Lewis for ex. against J. H. Bland et al., described in the bill and proceedings of said cause and purchased by the said J. H. Snodgrass with J. H. Hubbard as his security, should not be resold to satisfy the unpaid purchase money due thereon. And have then and there this writ. Witness, J. E. Lipps, clerk of said court, at the Court house on the 24th day of December, 1891, and in the 16th year of the commonwealth.

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VIRGINIA: In the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of the County of Wise on the 17th day of February, 1892, At Rules.

H. H. Dotsan, et al., survivors, Foreign Plaintiff against Jesse Beam, Defendant.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendant, Jesse Beam, the sum of \$318.10, with interest from April 17th, 1891, till paid, and costs of this suit, and to attach the estate of the said Jesse Beam in Wise county, Virginia, or so much thereof as will be sufficient to pay said debt, interest and costs, and to have said estate so attached, sold, and the proceeds applied to the payment of said debt, interest and costs. And an affidavit having been made and filed that the defendant, Jesse Beam is a non-resident of the State of Virginia, and has estate in this county, it is ordered that he do appear here within 15 days after due publication hereof, and do what may be necessary to protect his interest in this suit. And it is further ordered that a copy hereof be published once a week for four weeks in the Big Stone Post, and that a copy be posted at the front door of the courthouse of this county on the first day of the next term of the county court of said county.

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